

National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA)

NASWA's History

- o States attended Conferences of State Officials on Unemployment Compensation meetings to address unemployment issues.
- o Social Security Act signed into law August 14, 1935
- o Interstate Conference of Employment Security Agencies (ICESA)
- o In 2000, ICESA changed its charter to NASWA



Three Main NASWA Functions

- o Advocacy with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, and Congress
- o Liaison with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, and other organizations
- o Information Exchange among states and with the U.S. Department of Labor, other federal agencies, Congress, and the public

Center for Employment Security Education and Research (CESER)

- o Dedicated to improving state and federal government services to the nation's workers and employers.
- o Receives grants to provide education and research to advance the mission.
- o Most grants have been from the U.S. Department of Labor.



Workforce ATM

The screenshot displays the Workforce ATM website, a service of the National Association of State Work Force Agencies. The page features a blue header with the site's logo and navigation links. A yellow sidebar on the left contains promotional banners for 'about NASWA/CESER', 'Open Workforce ATM account', 'South Dakota' (with the slogan 'GREAT FACES. GREAT PLACES. NASWA 2005'), 'workforce3one', 'National Conferences', and 'Submit an Item to the Workforce ATM'. The main content area is titled 'National Headlines July 14, 2005' and lists several news items in a two-column format. A right sidebar titled 'Workforce News Around the Nation' provides additional news links. The browser window at the top shows standard navigation buttons and a search bar.

Navigation Links: Home, WIA System, Resource Room, Legislative News, Member Services, State Practices, Workforce Calendar, Links, Member Login

Workforce ATM Features: Subject Locator, GO, Advanced Search

National Headlines July 14, 2005

- \$1.6 Million To Train Vermont Workers for Careers in the IT Industry**
The grant is part of a training effort funded under the President's High Growth Job Training Initiative. (07/10/05)
- \$850,000 Grant To Establish New Iowans Centers Project**
Grant Will Assist Immigrant Transition Into Workforce and Community. (07/10/05)
- \$3 Million To Train Maine Workers in Advanced Manufacturing Skills**
This \$2.9 million grant will help workers gain the skills they need to build a career in advanced manufacturing. (07/10/05)
- Grants Of \$2.6 Million for Hospitality Industry Training**
Workers in Nevada, Rhode Island and New York Will Benefit. (07/10/05)
- U.S. Secretary of Labor Announces \$2 Million Grant to Train At-Risk Youth**
The funding to support the. (07/09/05)
- DOL Announces Winners of \$15.6 Million for Youth Offender Projects**
These grants will provide occupational training, on-the-job training, apprenticeship opportunities, internships and other work-based learning. (07/09/05)
- \$7 Million Grant to Train Alaskan Workers for Energy Industry Careers**
Grant to increase the state's capacity to recruit and train workers for careers in the energy industry. (07/09/05)
- BLS Proposes Revisions to Mass Layoff Statistics Program Survey**
The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the "Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) Program Survey. Comments due 9/6. (07/08/05)

Workforce News Around the Nation

- Vermont Youth: the Workers of the Future
- Vermont Nourishing our Workforce
- Washington Job Vacancies Highest in Survey's Three-year History
- Wisconsin DWD Solicits W-2 Requests for Proposals for 2006-09
- Wisconsin Projections 2002-2012: Employment in Industries and Occupations
- Tennessee Honored By National Association For Communications
- New Products & Services From Minnesota
- IN Announces Collaboration to Improve Timeliness of Unemployment Appeals
- Indiana Announces New Regional Worker Training Strategy
- Idaho Moves to Reduce Unemployment Insurance Fraud
- Idaho, Stiffer Penalties for Manipulating Unemployment Insurance Tax System
- Despite Some Gains, ...



- o www.workforceatm.org
- o Member Services page
- o Resources
 - Weekly updates [Bulletin]
 - UI Committee page
 - SUTA Dumping Page
 - UI Forum

NASWA's UI Committee

- o a platform for state input on unemployment insurance policies, performance requirements, administrative financing, and ways to strengthen the state-federal system.
- o Currently 36 states are represented on the Cmte
- o 25 to 30 states actively participate at the qrtly mtngs

NASWA's UI Committee

o 2005 Activities

- Priorities Survey
- UI Administrative Financing

- The Administration remains committed to UI tax and administrative reform although no legislative proposal is offered this year.
- Administration is committed to goal of moving responsibility for UI administrative funding to states.

NASWA's UI Committee

- o 2005 Activities

- July 2005 Meeting
- Third Party Administrators
- ITSC



USDOL Proposed UI Legislation

■ The Integrity Act

- ❑ Overpayments withheld by IRS from Federal income tax rebates.
- ❑ States permitted to use 5% of all recovered overpayments for BPC activities;
- ❑ Collection agencies allowed to retain a portion of amount recovered;
- ❑ States required to impose a minimum 15% penalty on fraudulent overpayments;
- ❑ Employers required to be charged when overpayments are their fault;
- ❑ States allowed to borrow from the Federal Unemployment Account to upgrade IT Systems.

UI – ICON Update

- o Router Upgrade and Encryption project
- o SSA/SWA Data Exchange
- o UCFE
- o WRIS
- o State Identifier (SID)
- o Federal Claims Control Center

FY2006 Appropriations

	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2006	FY 2006
	Appropriation	President's Budget	House	Senate
	(3.227 AWIU)	(2.984 AWIU)	(2.984 AWIU)	(2.800 AWIU)
State Admin.	2,663.0	2,622.5	2,622.5	2,600.0
National Activities	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.0
TOTAL	2,673.4	2,632.9	2,632.9	2,610.0

RJM Requests

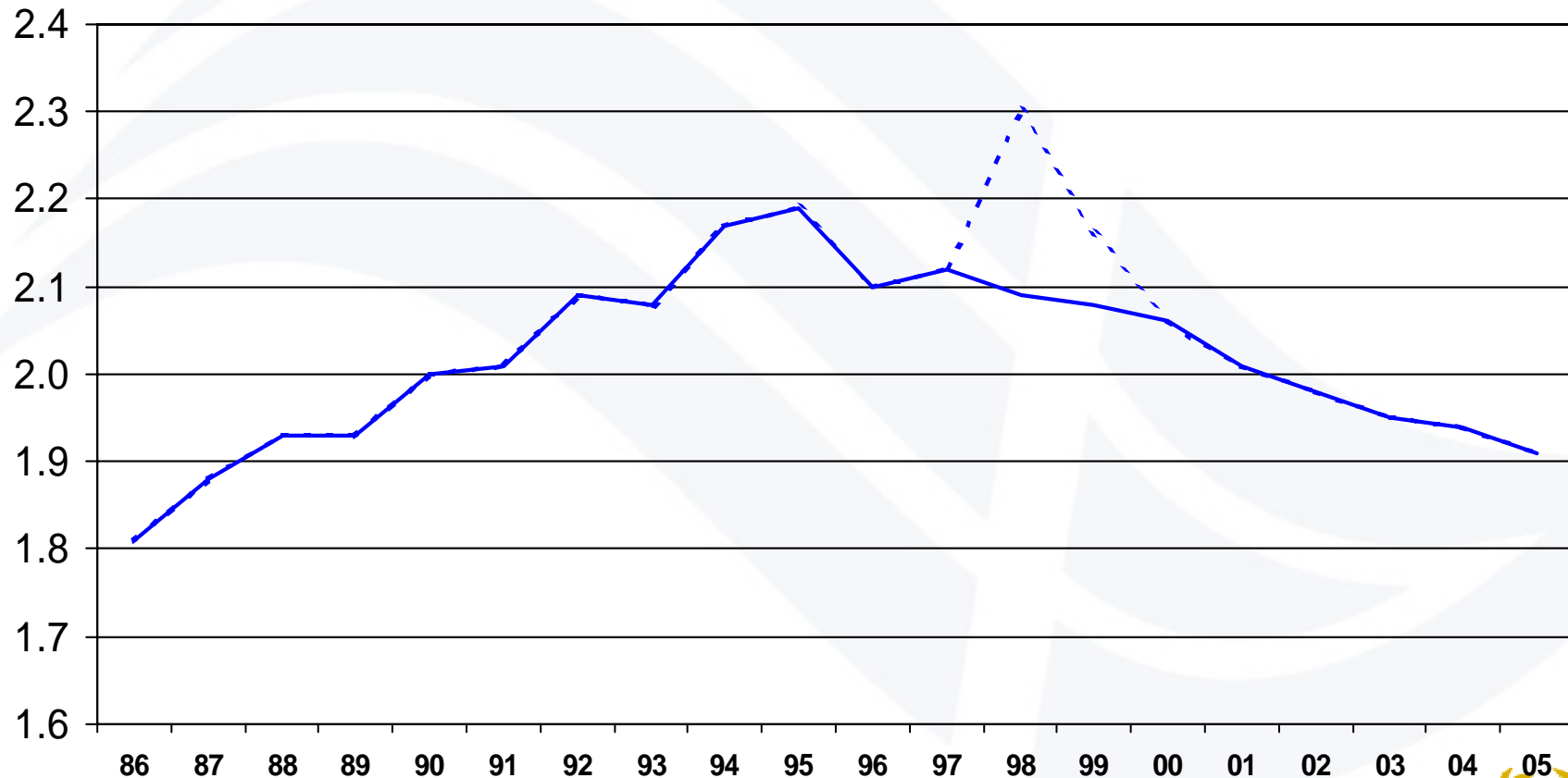
- o Base resources requested:

	FY07	FY06	Difference
National Total	\$2,922,551,890	\$2,838,467,458	\$84,084,432

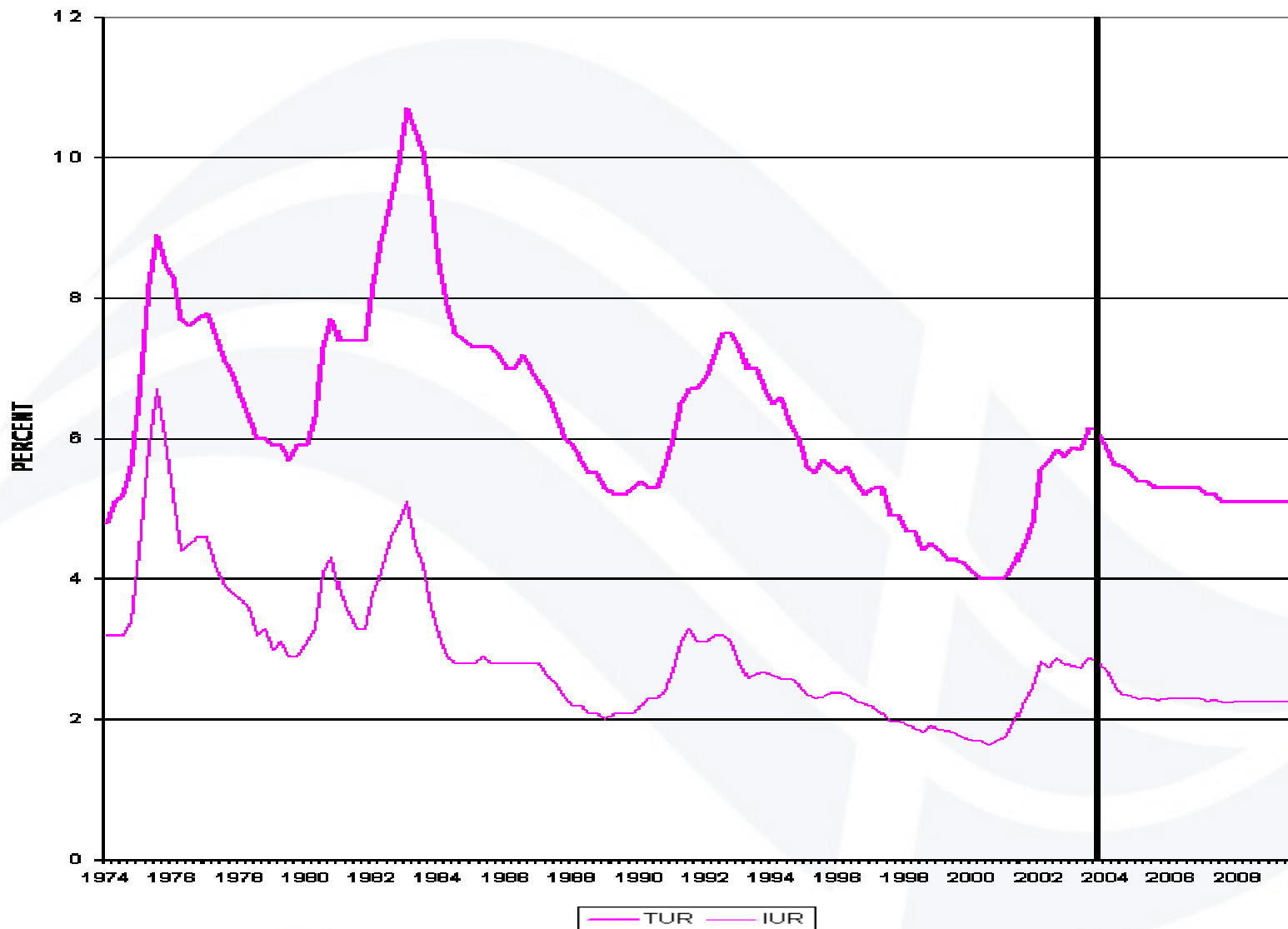
- o Base allocation for FY 2005: \$2,260,311,130

Appropriations for State UI Administration per 2.0 Million AWIU Adjusted into constant 2000 dollars

Dotted line shows inclusion of Y2K funds in FY 1998 and FY 1999



U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



Trust Fund Loans

Outstanding Loans from the Federal Unemployment Account.

Balances as of July 14, 2005 are:

o Minnesota	\$ 92,367,409
o Missouri	\$ 288,556,623
o North Carolina	\$ 160,366,825
o New York	\$ 221,445,070

- The IRS collected \$3,154,174 from New York employers reduced FUTA credit for the month of May. The total amount collected this year to date is \$138,153,472.



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